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1. [] the Chinese Communist First Mechanized Regiment was stationed at a place 20 km northwest of Peian (126-34, 48-16). Its strength was 898 (?). Its equipment included a number of Japanese tanks which were 18 feet long, 7-1/2 feet wide, 7 feet high and weighed 16 tons. The tanks carried a 57 mm cannon and three 7.7 mm machine guns, and were protected by 25 mm armor. The speed was 25 mph, the crew, four. [] 211 middle-rank officers of this unit (?) inspected a Soviet tank unit at Peian. At 2 p.m. the Soviet unit, equipped with 21 Japanese 94-model medium tanks, demonstrated tank positional warfare and attacks. 25X1
2. [] the Chinese Communist Third Mechanized Regiment was stationed at Noho (124-51, 48-29). The first stage of its training ended [] and between 8 and [] moved to Angangchi (123-48, 47-09). The regiment has 3,000 men, 60 two and one-half ton trucks, six command cars, six field guns, 21 heavy machine guns, 68 light machine guns and 1,200 rifles. 25X1
3. [] the Chinese Communist Twenty-Fifth Division, about 10,000 men, left Chiamussu (130-21, 48-49) by rail and traveled southward via Mutanchiang (129-37, 44-35), scheduled to arrive at Maolungtan, 40 li north of Tunghua (126-57, 41-43). This division is led by YEN Chien-min, who is under CHOU Pao-chung (), commander of the East Manchurian Military Zone. 25X1

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4. [] a consultation was held at the Mutanchiang Public Hall, called by 25X1 CHOU Tse-chung, commander of the East Manchurian Field Army, and participated in by the commanders of the Suining, Tungan, Chientao, Suifen and Chitung Military Districts, and the commander of the Chinese Communist Eighth Division.
5. [] the Chinese Communist North Manchurian Field Army Zone 25X1 was divided according to the puppet Manchukuo provincial boundaries; [] it has been divided into the following seven military districts: Heiho, Peian, Bailun, Suilan, Sungchiang, Hschiang and Sanchiang. On 30 April it was decided to limit the forces of each district to three divisions or six brigades.
6. [] the Chinese Communist Hsingan Military District was moved from 25X1 Hailer (119-44, 49-13) to Poketu (121-54, 48-46). Formerly under LIN Piao, this district is now under General Pashkin (?Agan), who is under General HUANG (Peiping Note: May be WANG) Ku-ching, commanding general of the West Manchurian Military Zone. Pashkin is an East Mongolian. His troops are in the Teitsihar (123-57, 47-22) area.
7. The Chinese Communists [] have left the administration of the 25X1 Hsingan Military District to the East Mongolian Autonomous Government. Troops commanded by Spaken (?Pashkin?) are still under the People's Democratic United Army, but their garrison area is now Chengchissuhan (122-51, 47-45) and Nientsushan (122-54, 47-31).
8. [] 50 Chinese Communist troops of the Demolition Training Class (or 25X1 Engineer Officers Training Class) held exercises in demolition techniques somewhere north of the Sungari River near Harbin. They used a yellow, high explosive powder. Objectives were a section of rail, a concrete bridge and a brick pagoda. All were demolished with one-sixth of a 20-pound case of powder.
9. [] at Harbin, Chiamusu, Teitsihar, Mutanchiang, Tumen 25X1 (131-06, 43-13), Peian and Nenchiang (125-13, 49-11), examinations were held to select students to study military science in the USSR. More than 2,000 took part in Harbin. In all, 80 students were selected [] They will study Russian at the place where they took their examinations [] and 25X1 [] will leave for Chita (113-30, 52-00). 25X1
10. [] Chinese Communist training units in the West Manchurian Military Zones, including the branch zones (Districts?) of Teitsihar, Nenchiang, Angangchi, Paichengtsu (122-52, 46-37), Chanyu (122-32, 44-38), Ankuang (123-41, 46-21), Fuyu (124-41, 47-39) and Anta (125-19, 46-24), have been emphasizing the practice of company and platoon attacks and defenses. The training of new recruits emphasizes firing, taking cover and charging.

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